

**Meeting Summary
East Kaua`i Development Plan Update
Citizen Advisory Committee (CAC) Meeting No. 3**

**Tuesday, August 15, 2006
4:00 to 6:00 pm
Mahelona Medical Center
Outpatient Meeting Room**

1. Welcome: Nadine Nakamura welcomed members of the East Kaua`i Development Plan CAC and members of the public.
2. Nadine described the four meeting objectives:
 - To discuss community visioning efforts
 - To discuss general plan policies for East Kaua`i
 - To summarize 1972 Kapa`a-Wailua Development Plan
 - To discuss the “East Kaua`i Planning Workshop1” logistics
3. Introductions: CAC members and the public were asked to introduce themselves, the organization they represent, where they live, and one opportunity that East Kaua`i should take advantage of over the next 20 years. Responses have been organized as follows:
 - a. Considering Mainstreet programs that may apply to downtown Kapaa, which would qualify for federal and state funding.
 - b. Completing bike path plans, i.e. Lydgate, and expanding toward the Wailua area.
 - c. Expanding medical facilities/services to East Kauai, i.e. ER services.
 - d. Considering opportunities to address traffic issues in the Wailua-Kapaa area, such as multi-modal transportation opportunities that look at interconnectivity. Reducing dependence on gasoline (2).
 - e. Providing affordable housing opportunities for area residents (2).
 - f. Increasing youth activities and education facilities.
 - g. Getting things done faster.
 - h. Preserving agriculture.
 - i. Solving traffic problems/
 - j. Preserving green belts, open space, rural character.
 - k. Developing agriculture (i.e. ag sustainability) – Considering temporary surplus of ag water and land
 - l. Providing bike paths and pedestrianways
 - m. Multi-modal transportation (2)
 - n. Developing waterways that define Kapaa and adding them to the multi-modal opportunities
 - o. Increasing density in the core area

- p. Targeting strategic properties for municipal parking to support the town core.
- q. Encouraging residents to get involved in the process.

Community Visioning. Keith and Earl provided an update on the community visioning process. Three meetings were held and about 7 additional meetings are scheduled. Letters were sent to organizations identified earlier by CAC members, as well as Kapa`a Middle and High School principals. CAC members were encouraged to contact Keith to set-up additional meetings in August and September.

- r. May 2, and June 28, 2006 meeting summaries. There were no recommended additions or corrections to the two meeting summaries.
- s. General Plan Policies for East Kaua`i. Nadine handed-out an excerpt from the Kaua`i General Plan that discusses the preliminary vision, opportunities and challenges, and land use policies for East Kaua`i. Keith Nitta then described the specific land use policies for East Kaua`i. The General Plan is a policy document that provides a framework for Development Plans and the Comprehensive Zoning Code. The General Plan conveys policies through text, vision, and land use map.

Keith cited section 6.2.4.3 of the General Plan, which provides a rationale for map and text policies for East Kaua`i: "The policies on regional growth are intended to support growth within the Kapa`a-Wailua area and the DHHL lands at Anahola and to discourage the expansion of residential development in rural outlying areas designated Agriculture." Keith noted that this was written based on the concern for urban sprawl and rural district spot zoning.

Additional points and observations:

- Kapa`a is considered one of three service areas/urban centers on Kaua`i. The service area covers the North Shore to Kapa`a-Wailua.
- The General Plan might be amended as a result of the DP update process
- Should incorporate multi-modal transportation plans into the DP
- Exceptional trees should be included in green infrastructure maps
- Concern about how Additional Dwelling Units (ADUs) and Farm Dwelling Agreements increase densities on agricultural lands. Farm Dwelling Agreements are not enforced.

- t. Kapa`a-Wailua Development Plan. Keith Nitta noted that the Kapa`a-Wailua DP was adopted in June 1975. It includes both text and an ordinance. The plan focused on Kuhio Highway (generally from Coco Palms to Kawaihao Road). The Plan was written as an urban renewal plan, to revitalize historic Kapa`a town.

CAC members and the public were split into four groups to evaluate the objectives of the Kapa`a-Wailua DP, based on the four topics:

1. Living, Housing & Employment
2. Education & Recreation
3. Community, Cultural Activities & Beautification
4. Transportation, Utilities & Services

Small group summaries are found in **Attachment A**. In the large group session that followed, the following conclusions were drawn:

1. Most of the objectives are still valid today.
2. Since many of the objectives were not accomplished, the CAC must focus on implementation and developing a clear and realistic action plan.
3. The East Kaua`i development plan will also include topics that were absent in the current plan: agricultural uses, rural uses, conservation lands, natural resources, culture, energy, infrastructure and density.

u. Earl noted that the "East Kaua`i Planning Workshop I" is planned for:

Date: Saturday, October 28, 2006

Time: 8:00 a.m. to noon

Place: Resort Quest Kaua`i Beach at Maka`iwa, (formerly Courtyard by Marriott)

The goal of the workshop is to get resident feedback on the question:
"What should East Kaua`i look like in 2030?"

The objectives of the workshop are to:

- a. Provide an update on the planning process
- b. Summarize existing conditions and trends
- c. Further describe and clarify our vision for East Kaua`i
- d. Start the process of mapping areas to be protected, areas of concern, and areas for future growth

CAC members were asked to attend this event and to distribute flyers to help publicize the event. The goal is to have 150 residents attend the workshop.

9. The next meeting date will be held on: Tuesday, October 3, 2006, from 4:00 to 7:30 p.m., at the Planning Commission meeting room.
10. Adjournment: Nadine thanked CAC members and public for attending the meeting.

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